

December 4, 1963

Mr. J. M. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Arrest of Lee Harvey
Oswald

Sir:

On November 22, 1963 at approximately 2:00 P.M., Detective B. A. Carroll and I were instructed by Lieutenant L. Kaminski to go to the Oak Cliff area where Officer J. D. Tippit had been shot.

While enroute to Oak Cliff, we received information on our police radio that the suspect had entered the Texas Theatre, 231 West Jefferson. When we arrived at the Texas Theatre, we were told that the suspect had gone to the balcony. While searching the balcony, I heard someone call from the lower floor that the suspect was down there. I ran down the stairs, and as I neared the bottom, I sprained my left ankle.

I then proceeded to the location where Officers A. L. Bentley, M. M. McDonald, C. T. Walker, and other officers were attempting to disarm Lee Harvey Oswald. During this time, Lee Harvey Oswald kept yelling, "I am not resisting arrest. I am not resisting arrest. I want to complain of police brutality."

Captain W. A. Westbrook then told several of the officers to take Oswald directly to the City Hall.

Officers B. A. Carroll, Sergeant Jerry Hill, A. L. Bentley, C. T. Walker, and myself transported Oswald to the City Hall.

Enroute to the City Hall, Oswald refused to answer all questions, and he kept repeating, "Why am I being arrested? I know I was carrying a gun, but why else am I being arrested?"

Lee Harvey Oswald was released to Captain Fritz at the homicide and robbery bureau by the transporting officers.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. Westbrook
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